

Continue the Journey "From Shore to Sea, the Rainbow Connection"

The National Marine Sanctuary Program invites you to celebrate Oceans Week. This year's Channel Islands theme is inspired by the JASON XIV Expedition "From Shore to Sea" and the Chumash legend of the "Rainbow Bridge" which acknowledges the connection of the local Chumash with the earth and sea. "From Shore to Sea, the Rainbow Connection" asks each of us to discover our own modern day connection to the ocean.

Teachers and Students Celebrating Oceans Week in Schools

Educators are encouraged to embrace Oceans Week by incorporating ocean themes across all disciplines. However, this year 2003, Oceans Week was announced well into the spring term, and you may only have time to explore one or two ocean projects. In future years, celebrate Oceans Week in the classroom whenever it best fits your own unique curriculum. Visit the Channel Islands National Marine Sanctuary web site for activity ideas and other resources. The resource center is an ocean of ideas, and as more educators participate in Oceans Week, we will continue to update and add to the resource list. This year the Channel Islands National Marine Sanctuary is sponsoring a youth competition and will recognize K-12 student projects with awards in Fine Art, Language Arts, and Science. Guidelines for this competition are found in the link to "Student Competition" on the Oceans Week Home Page.

Any K-12 Student Can Enter for a Chance to Win

Entries in the student competition do not have to be formal school projects. All students who enter one of the categories will have their name placed in a drawing for the grand prize "A Trip to One of The Channel Islands". All participants have an equal chance of winning the grand prize.



Celebrating Oceans Week in the Community

June 8th, come and enjoy "From Shore to Sea, the Rainbow Connection" a community event at the Channel Islands Harbor in Oxnard. The event will feature ocean related activities for the entire family, including an exhibit of student projects. Attending this event is another way to enter the grand prize drawing, the Channel Islands Day Trip, Sponsored by Island Packers.

Oceans Week Culmination Event June 8th, 10:00AM - 3:00PM Channel Islands Harbor Ocean activities and displays



Visit Oceans Week Web Resource Center an "Ocean of Ideas" for class activities www.channelislands.noaa.gov or contact kathy.dewet@noaa.gov